

## AUSTRIA MAY DROP WAR IF ITAL YIELDS

Belief in Congress that the President, knowing this, Withholds Declaration.

Modification of Italy's demands upon Austria might pave the way for a withdrawal of the latter country from the mammoth conflict abroad, and would thus hasten peace as it could not be hastened if Italy persists in maintaining demands which cannot but keep Austria in the fight until the bitter end.

That is the belief of the majority of the members of the Foreign Relations Committee of the Senate, so it is said on good authority. And it is the belief of the administration as well, so it is also said.

These facts mean, it is insisted, that President Wilson's forthcoming message to Congress will not urge a war declaration upon Austria. The situation will be left open, it is pointed out, so that if Austrian sympathy for the central powers cause, already at a low ebb, gives further signs of breaking the proponents of a break with Germany will have conclusive talking points upon which to continue their work.

### Senator Stone for War.

Interesting talk has been indulged in at the Capitol during the past few days since members have been arriving in large numbers for the commencement of the session. Senator Stone, of Missouri, head of the Foreign Relations Committee and one of the "wild twelve" who resisted the passage of the armed neutrality measure and the war resolution later, came back from his home stay highly favorable to a war declaration against Austria.

He gave no reason why the step should be taken, but insisted that it should be taken. Senator Hitchcock, of Nebraska, vice chairman of the same committee, pointed out the day before what he thought of the situation. He and Senator Reed and others stood on this declaration, which Senator Hitchcock enlarged upon yesterday, in this way, and which many members of the Upper House now are inclined to favor.

Naturally, all of the members are willing if some reason, as yet unknown to them, should be presented by the President in favor of a war declaration. But the fact, now generally accepted at the Capitol, is that the President has no such reason to offer, leads to the hope that this formal step may be averted and that as a result modifications will be made by Italy which will permit of an Austrian break with Germany.

The fact that the great majority of Austrians in the United States, Poles and Bohemians, are with the allies, body and soul, in the cause, and that the number of real Austrian "alien enemies" is comparatively small, it is thought would work no hardship on this side of the water because of the failure to declare war.

### MOTOR RESERVE ESTABLISHED

A Motor Service Reserve established in Minnesota has won the commendation of Secretary Baker. Through the Automobile Trade Association, of Minneapolis, several hundred motorists throughout the State have signed a pledge to volunteer their cars and drivers in any officers or government officials in the neighborhood who require them for government business.

### TELEGRAPHIC TIPS

Madrid, Nov. 29.—Lieut. Gen. Echague, Minister of War in the last Spanish conservative cabinet, died suddenly. He was president of the Supreme War and Marine Council.

Montreal, Que., Nov. 29.—"Judge" Lawrence Crowley, widely known in sporting circles, who came to this city from New York several years ago, died in a hospital after a few hours' illness.

Madrid, Nov. 29.—Twenty thousand persons took part in a great radical manifestation here in favor of granting amnesty to those imprisoned after the revolutionary movement of last August.

Hanover, N. H., Nov. 29.—George Ray Wicker, professor of economics at Dartmouth College and formerly chairman of the Progressive State committee of New Hampshire, died in a hospital here.

Madrid, Nov. 29.—The Medina Cella Palace, in the Province of Rioja, has been destroyed by fire. Many works of art of priceless value were saved. The fire was caused by a defect in the heating apparatus.

London, Nov. 29.—Gen. Frederick Stanley Maude, the commander of the British forces in Mesopotamia, who died November 15 after a brief illness, succumbed to cholera, according to the Saturday Review.

Albany, N. Y., Nov. 29.—Governor Whitman's intention to appoint Supreme Court Justice Henry T. Kellogg, of Plattsburgh, as Associate Justice of the Appellate Division, Third Department, has been made public.

Sydney, Australia, Nov. 29.—A regulation has been promulgated by the federal government against alien laborers working on ships and wharves anywhere in Australia. The regulation is the result of recent revelations.

Frank N. Steers, president of the Pacific Mill and Mines Supply Company, of San Francisco, is in Washington on a short business trip.

### SELF-DEFENSE

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**SAMMY TAKES A BATH.**—Uncle Sam requires his fighters to keep clean—These pictures show how the soldier "digs" his "bathtub" and prepares the bath.



Sammy, in the top picture, is not preparing for a game of "Rolly-Polly"—as you might guess. He is digging his "bathtub." Next he is shown "enameling" the tub with canvas. He "turns on the water" by uncorking his canteen and addresses him: "Your bath is ready, sir." This particular Sammy wanted only a foot bath. For a full bath—more digging, more water.

## SEEK LUMBER JACKS FOR AVIATION SECTION

War Department Also Needs Men in Medical and Artillery Branches.

Twelve huge construction squadrons are being organized by the War Department at Vancouver (Wash.) Barracks, according to notification received by Sergt. W. C. Hunt, U. S. A., in charge of the main recruiting station of the army, Eighth street and Pennsylvania avenue northwest.

The Secretary of War directs that special efforts be made to enlist woodmen for the aviation section, Signal Corps, for use in one of the most favored trading squadrons, and it is desirable that applicants for enlistment under this authority, in addition to other qualifications, should be men with experience in lumber camps.

Accepted applicants will be sent to the nearest depot or depot post en route to Vancouver Barracks for enlistment.

This will be an excellent opportunity for young men to become acquainted with the wonderful timbered resources of the Pacific Northwest, as the Vancouver Barracks is situated in the midst of a great forest. In early days it was one of the most favored trading posts of the Hudson Bay Fur Company, and abounds in romantic history affecting the Far West.

Received at the main recruiting station of the army: Edgar A. Moore, 63 Quincy place northwest; Carl M. Mottel, 311 Taylor street northwest; Charles Epps, 22 1/2 street northeast; and James A. Shipley, 3110 Mill road, Tacoma Park, all of this city; Howard J. Swann, Pine Point, Md.; John W. Poyer and Eaton A. Fox, both of Front Royal, Va.; and Frederick J. Sullivan, Akron, Ohio.

**Cleveland's Daughter Weds.**—Princeton, N. J., Nov. 29.—Miss Marion Cleveland, daughter of the late President, was married today to William Stanley Dell, of New York City, Dell, Princeton, "is just returned from ambulance service in France, where he received the cross of the legion of honor.

Charles T. Sullivan, of the Census Bureau, was resigned.

## MONEY FACTOR IS ACCENTED IN TRIAL OF MEANS

Every Technical Point Seized Upon by Defense in King Murder Trial.

By DAVID M. CHURCH.

Concord, N. C., Nov. 29.—Continental objections and use of every technical point of the law was made by the defense today in the trial of Gaston B. Means, charged with the murder of Mrs. Maude A. King.

Through the testimony of American B. Melville, a Chicago lawyer, the State established the fact that Mrs. King, at the time of her first acquaintance with Gaston B. Means, was in possession of a fortune of approximately \$100,000. It also established that Mrs. King made Means her financial agent on the agreement that he was to receive half of all the profits he made for her exceeding \$10,000 a year.

### Chicagoan on Stand.

Dr. William C. Burnmeister, of Chicago, who made the autopsy upon Mrs. King's body, was upon the stand when court adjourned. He said she had died from a gunshot wound in the head which she could not have inflicted herself.

The defense objected to the question and answer, maintaining that the evidence had not established that Mrs. King had been killed by a pistol shot. It claimed that she might have died from a rifle shot. The objection was overruled.

Dr. Burnmeister then took occasion to show his knowledge, which amazed the defense, when he said he knew the bullet had been fired by a .25 caliber automatic revolver, because the bullet had a left-handed twist on the rifling, and only .25 caliber automatic guns shoot this sort of bullet.

### Means Gets Nervous.

On cross examination the defense endeavored to impeach the testimony given by Dr. Burnmeister by recalling questions he had answered in the preliminary hearing. Dr. Burnmeister understood the test and declared that if his testimony seemed to vary in any way it was because he had failed to answer with sufficient fullness.

The testimony of Dr. Burnmeister was the first expert testimony offered and the jury of farmers were considerably impressed by it.

One of the State's strongest witnesses arrived on the scene today when Mrs. Anna Robinson, mother of Mrs. King, came to Concord. She will probably be wheeled into the courtroom in a chair.

Means is growing more and more nervous as the trial proceeds.

## NEW CRACKER RECIPE WILL CONSERVE SUGAR

Manufacturers Agree to Use Less Shortening and Sweets.

Savings of 14,000,000 pounds of sugar and 12,000,000 pounds of shortening annually are expected to result from new rules for cracker making, just promulgated by the Food Administration. The estimates were made today by cracker manufacturers. They have been using 126,000,000 pounds of sugar and 98,000,000 pounds of shortening annually.

The new rules, effective December 10, follow: Licensed cracker makers shall not use the following ingredients in amounts exceeding those specified, per unit of 100 pounds of sugar or meal or mixture thereof.

Shortening—Not more than 17 pounds average in sponge goods (made with yeast), of which not more than 19 pounds shall be animal fats; not more than 28 pounds average of shortening in sweet goods, of which not more than 18 pounds shall be animal fats.

Sugar—No sugar shall be used in sponge goods; not more than 50 pounds average in sweet goods.

## SHIPS WILL RELIEVE RAILROAD'S BURDEN

Schedule on Great Lakes Extended to Move Freight.

Great Lakes shipping is to be extended beyond today, the normal closing date to help the Food Administration get wheat and flour to the East and relieve the railroads of part of their burden, it was announced last night.

One newly completed vessel has been turned over to the administration by the Shipping Board. On its way to the Atlantic from the lake yard where it was built, it will carry 1,000 tons of flour for New York.

The Great Lakes Transit Corporation will extend its service to December 12, and the Northwestern Steamship Company will run its boats as long as the weather permits. This arrangement will transport about 80,000 tons of flour and wheat from Duluth to Buffalo and Erie ports, relieving the railroads to that extent.

### CONVENTION ADJOURNS.

Boston, Nov. 29.—After formally adopting the initiative and referendum amendment, which will be submitted to the people for ratification at the next State election, the Constitutional Convention adjourned today until next summer.

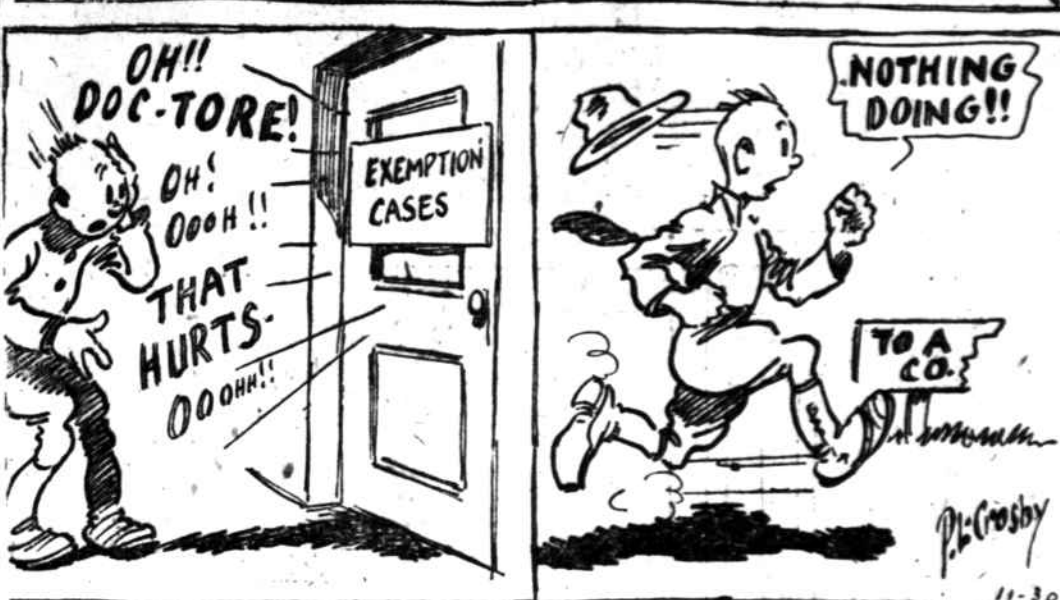
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By P. L. Crosby



## DECLARES WAR FIGHT FOR HUMAN LIBERTY

Father Sweeney Delivers Eloquent Sermon at Military Mass.

Rev. Father Edward Sweeney, in his sermon at the Thanksgiving Military mass in St. Aloysius' Church yesterday, declared it necessary for the preservation of human liberty that Germany shall be defeated.

"If they ask you why you fight," Father Sweeney told the large numbers of soldiers present, "tell them that you fight for God and country—a God that gave you your country and a country that gave you liberty."

"What profits it a man to gain the whole world and lose his soul? Our nation would have become soulless if our President and our Congress had not done what they did last April."

Following the mass, a service flag with 200 stars in honor of men from the parish and Gonzaga College was blessed and unfurled. Two companies

of cadets from Gonzaga College paraded through the streets in the neighborhood of the church before the mass.

The cadets were led by the Gonzaga Band, this being its first public appearance since its reorganization by Prof. A. Samuels, a retired member of the United States Marine Band, and were commanded by Maj. John Sullivan and Capt. Paul Twombly and Anthony Fennell.

A book agent entered a Kansas school and, after inducing the young woman teacher to dismiss the class, persuaded her to buy \$27.50 worth of books.

## U-BOAT TOLL OF 21 IN WEEK HELD BEARABLE

Naval Officers Declare Losses by Submarines Is Not Vital Blow.

Germany's U-boat toll of twenty-one ships for the week is held in naval circles here without the slightest bit of pessimism.

November netted to the German submarine campaign just fifty-six vessels of all kinds. That is approximately one-third the number of ships the Germans sank in April, after the United States declared war.

In March Germany sent 125 ships to the bottom. In April she sank 150. Her high-water mark was 150 ships in three weeks. Her monthly record has been dropping and her submarines have been falling prey to the co-ordinated search of the allied fleets. In July, when weather conditions were supposedly ideal, the toll was only 100 steamers of all classes. Meanwhile American torpedo boat destroyers were taking up the patrol. Secretary Daniels, Rear Admiral Benson, chief of operations, and others expressed confidence that the end of the submarine frightfulness was in sight.

### Sub Morale Lowering.

"The morale of German submarine crews is lowering fast," said a naval officer. "It is known that some of the German crews are compelled to remain under the surface seventy-six hours. The food is reported to be bad."

"Even though adopting an American device for locating submarines, a submarine's chance of landing a sure shot from under the water is very slim. The destroyer can see a submarine forty and fifty feet under the water. If there are hydroplane scouts working around, they can discern a submarine 100 feet under the surface."

"The evolution of the soul" was the subject of an address by L. W. Rogers, national lecturer of the Theological Society, at Pythian Temple.



## What'll You Give?

SATURDAY—no school—yet Aunt Polly said he had to whitewash the fence. Work on a holiday! When he had planned such a wonderful day full of swimming—pirates and things! But Tom Sawyer was a clever imp and he not only managed so that the other boys did the whitewashing—but he got these same victims to pay him for allowing them to do the work.

It is the most famous story in the world—every man knows it—every man has lived it—but only Mark Twain could tell it—for to sympathetic understanding of man and boy he added the style of genius.

## MARK TWAIN

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